

## **UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant:

KRAENZLER, E., et al

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10/049,546

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## PETITION TO ACCEPT PATENT APPLICATION WITHOUT SIGNATURE OF ALL INVENTORS

May 6, 2003

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Applicant herewith petitions for an Order accepting the subject application, despite the missing signature of the inventor, Franz Scheschark.

The subject application is being filed without the signature of Mr. Scheschark because he has steadfastedly refused to sign the application papers.

The pertinent details are set forth in the attached Declarations of Mrs.

Mindner and Mr. Thomas Demuth.

Summarized, Mr. Scheschark was repeatedly requested to review, sign and date the application papers and assignment, and refused to do so.

In support of this is a copy of a letter from Franz Scheschark to Mrs. Mindner dated July 4, 2002, which identifies the subject application through the reference number of the owner of the invention, Robert Bosch GmbH. The reference number, R.38531, corresponds to the reference number of U.S. application Serial No. 10/049,546.

As set forth in the Demuth and Mindner Declarations, Mrs. Mindner wrote to Franz Scheschark to have the papers reviewed, signed and dated no less than three times, which were unsuccessful. In his letter of July 4, 2002, Franz Scheschark states, in a fit of pique, among other things, "Since I no longer work for the Weigelt Company, I don't see any reason to sign the documents."

Even then, Mr. Thomas Demuth on July 8, 2002, again telephoned Mr. Scheschark and there exists a handwritten note of July 8, 2002 from Mr. Scheschark to Mr. Demuth stating that he is faxing another copy of the letter.

This would appear to constitute overwhelming evidence that the inventor has been and is refusing the execute the application papers.

In view of the above, acceptance of this application without the signature of Mr. Franz Scheschark is requested.

It is requested that any fee required in connection with this Petition be debited to the account of the undersigned, #19-4675.

Respectfully submitted,

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